

ORDINANCE 2167

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1918 EFFECTING ZONE CHANGE NO. 89 (FAIRVIEW PLAZA HISTORIC DISTRICT)

The Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos does hereby ordain:

SECTION I

The district delineated on the attached map is hereby designated historically and culturally significant as the Fairview Plaza Historic District HD-76-1A.

SECTION II

The district is designated to be historically, architecturally, or aesthetically significant for the reasons listed below:

- A. Property: Fairview Plaza Historic District (see map Exhibit A).
- B. Historic designation no.: HD-76-1A
- C. Description of designation: District
- D. Description of characteristics which justify the designation:

Historical: "Fairview Plaza" was the original name given the cul-de-sac termination of Pennsylvania Avenue in the subdivision known as "Fairview Addition", surveyed in June 1885 by Heirmann Brothers, Land Surveyors, San Jose, California for Mr. F.H. McCullagh and recorded in County of Santa Clara, Book 5 of Maps, page 26.

"Fairview Plaza" retains the same configuration as originally mapped and contains a landscaped island as a focal point. Approximately three quarters of the homes within the subdivision were built prior to 1900 and retain the character of that era. The pedestrian walk labeled "Turnstile Walk" on the original map remains essentially unchanged and is located at the eastern end of the cul-de-sac.

While originally named "Pennsylvania Avenue", that portion of the street within the "Fairview Addition" subdivision has been renamed Fairview Plaza (from the cul-de-sac west to the intersection with Oak Knoll Road, Manzanita Avenue and Wadsworth Avenue). Both the street and adjoining houses are popularly referred to as "Fairview Plaza".

“Fairview Plaza” is a rare and unique neighborhood because of the authentic, well-maintained Victorian and Craftsman houses in close proximity with one another. The atmosphere is enhanced because the street is not a “through street”, thus allowing a scale and sense of “apparitions” which is not found in most other neighborhoods.

- E. Listed below are Town features recommended for preservation. Review by the Historic Preservation Committee is required for any changes to these features.
1. Central Plaza Island
 2. The access to Turnstile Walk.
 3. Date stamp in concrete sidewalks.

SECTION III

This Ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos on October 6, 2008, and adopted by the following vote as an ordinance of the Town of Los Gatos at a meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos on October 20, 2008. This ordinance takes effect 30 days after it is adopted.

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

AYES: Steve Glickman, Diane McNutt, Joe Pirzynski, Mike Wasserman and Mayor Barbara Spector.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

SIGNED:

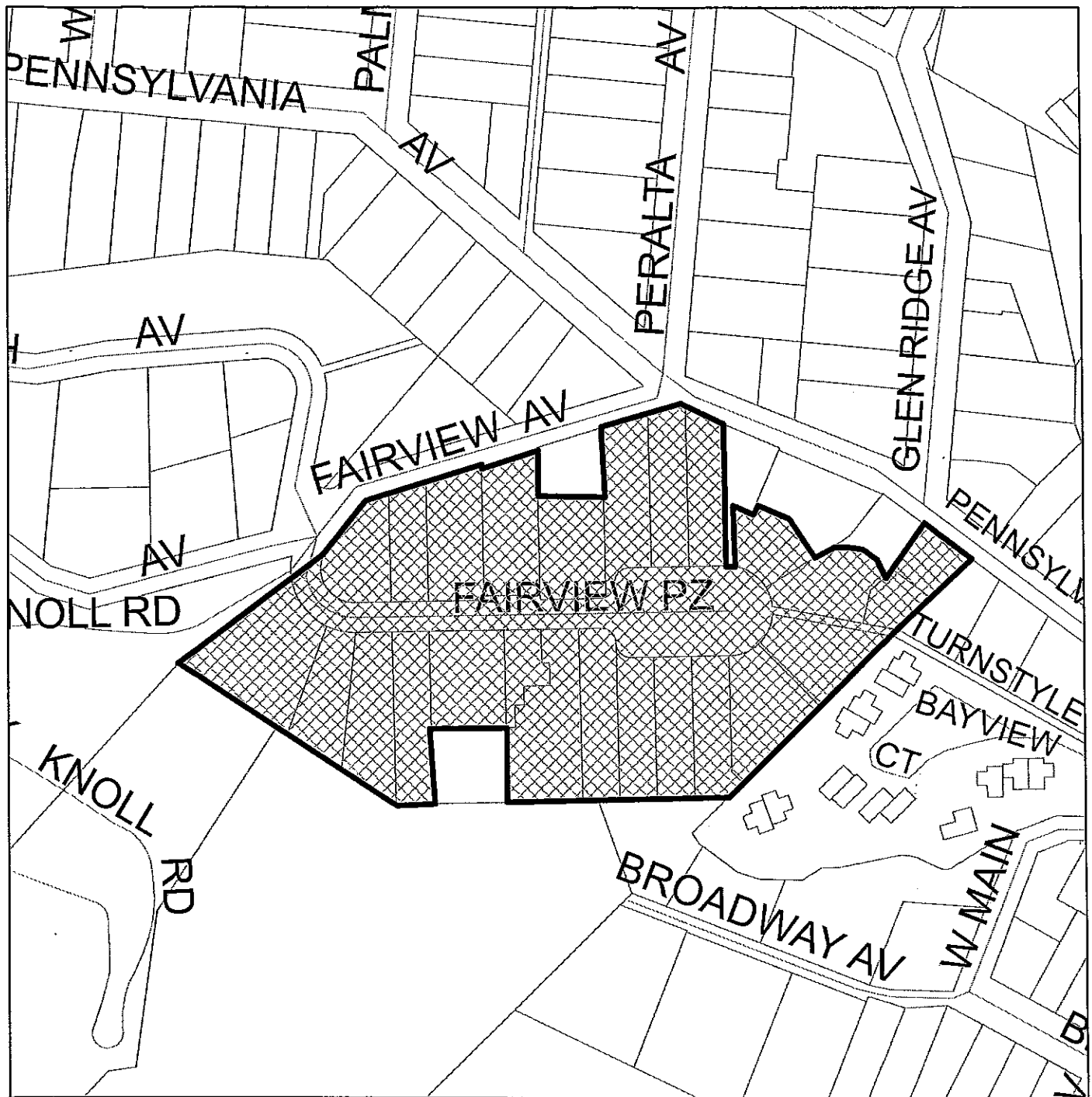
s/Barbara Spector

MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS
LOS GATOS, CALIFORNIA

ATTEST:

s/Jackie Rose

CLERK OF THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS
LOS GATOS, CALIFORNIA



TOWN OF LOS GATOS

Fairview Plaza Historic District Boundaries

As Established by Ordinance 1918 on October 19, 1992

